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OHA 251 New York Medical Examiner's Collection

Date of Records: 1955-1984

Size: 4 linear feet, 3 boxes

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Scope/Description: This collection consists primarily of copies of records of the New York City Medical Examiner's Office, from autopsy cases related to specimens held in NMHM's Anatomical Collections.

Boxes 001 and 002 in the collection consist of files labeled by case numbers, covering the period from 1955-1984, but concentrated in the 1960s and early 1970s. Each of the nearly 250 case files includes a range of material such as police reports, notices of death, identification forms, laboratory reports, autopsy reports, intake forms from the Office of Chief Medical Examiner of the City of New York, death certificates, and some related correspondence.

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Box 003 in the collection also includes an autobiography by Milton Helpern, photographs and clippings related to various notable or exceptional cases, artwork in the form of medical illustrations from the 1930s-1940s, an informational pamphlet from the NYME Office, and a 1988-89 visitors register to the New York Medical Examiner's Office. Due to privacy restrictions, some of this portion of the collection is also currently closed to researchers.

For related material, see also OHA 186: Helpern Collection.



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SERIES 001: NYME OFFICE RECORDS

Box 001: (1955-1965)

00001: M55-7599

00002: M58-8630

00003: M59-1577

00004: M59-2860

00005: M59-3938

00006: M59-7245

00007: M59-9503

00008: K60-7923

00009: M60-832

00010: M60-2775

00011: M60-3914

00012: M60-4447

00013: M60-4584

00014: M60-5107

00015: M61-1933

00016: M62-2084

00017: M62-2634

00018: M62-3117

00019: M62-3172

00020: M62-4943

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00046: M64-61

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- 00084: M65-1263
- 00085: M65-1442
- 00086: M65-1533
- 00087: M65-1585
- 00088: M65-1686
- 00089: M65-1804
- 00090: M65-1821
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- 00092: M65-2394
- 00093: M65-2641
- 00094: M65-3382
- 00095: M65-3499
- 00096: M65-3669
- 00097: M65-3881
- 00098: M65-4138
- 00099: M65-4684
- 00100: M65-6144
- 00101: M65-6303
- 00102: M65-6396
- 00103: M65-6584
- 00104: M65-6786
- 00105: M65-6813
- 00106: M65-6830
- 00107: M65-6841
- 00108: M65-6890
- 00109: M65-7150
- 00110: M65-7167
- 00111: M65-7191
- 00112: M65-7299



00113: M65-7397

00114: M65-7530

00115: M65-7558

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00127: M65-9950

00128: M65-9952

00129: M65-10542

00130: M65-11068

00131: Q65-1372

00132: Q65-1392

00133: Q65-3050

Box 002: (1966-1984)

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00002: M66-409

00003: M66-1965

00004: M66-1976

00005: M66-2011

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00013: M66-3805

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00016: M66-4085

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00019: M66-5013

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00024: M66-7740

00025: M66-8919

00026: M66-9006

00027: M66-9333

00028: M66-9457

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00030: M66-9919

00031: Q66-1684

00032: R66-649

00033: R66-650

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00036: BX67-3971

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00038: M67-2206

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00073: M69-3013

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00075: M69-8878

00076: M69-9017

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00079: R69-466

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00082: M70-7334

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00084: M70-10840

00085: Q70-1955

00086: Q70-6028

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00099: M71-8591

00100: M71-8619

00101: Q71-229

00102: Q71-3667

00103: R71-528

00104: R71-547

00105: BX72-2037

00106: BX75-4506

00107: BX75-4506

00108: M78-5030

00109: M84-3531

SERIES 002: NYME SUPPORTING MATERIAL

Box 003:

00001: Book, Milton Helpern, Autopsy (1977)

00002: Drawing, The First Bellevue (1736)

00003: Print, The Morgue, New York (1866)

00004: Print, An Every-Day Scene in the Morgue (ca. 1891)

00005: Framed Photo, Male with Parasitic Fetus on Its Back (1967)

00006: Photo, Exhumed After Trial, Hickey, R666-66 (n.d.)

00007: Photo, Motorcycle Injuries, M67-5517

00008: Photo, Unlabeled Injury (n.d.)

00009: Photo, James Schafran, Museum Technician (1932-69)

00010: Photo, Hallway, M66-9457 (1966)



00011: Photo, Decomposed Body, M66-9457 (1966) 00012: Photo, Museum of Pathological Specimens (n.d.) 00013: Office of Chief Medical Examiner General Information Pamphlet (n.d.) 00014: Visitors Register (1988-1989) 00015: Mounted Clipping, "Parsippany Man Dies, 8 Others Poisoned by Wild Mushrooms," M65-7874 and M65-7931 (1965) 00016: Mounted Clipping, "Slayer of Little Girl is Sent to Manhattan" 00017: Mounted Photograph, Unidentified Case in Morgue 00018: Mounted Photograph, Homicidal Shooting, Attempted Dispose of Dead Body 00019: Mounted Photograph, Man in Trunk 00020: Mounted Photograph, Close-up of Gun with Remains 00021: Mounted Photographs, Unidentified Case, Lacerations 00022: Document, Identification of Blood Samples from Germany (1931) 00023: Medical Illustration, Estelle Schackleford (1932) 00024: Medical Illustration, Adolph Virga (1933) 00025: Medical Illustration, Harold Klepser (1933) 00026: Medical Illustration, Facunda Costozo (1934) 00027: Medical Illustration, Willie Norris (1934) 00028: Medical Illustration, Hugo Wakefield (1935) 00029: Medical Illustration, Joel Wallace (1935) 00030: Medical Illustration, Joseph Glasgal (1935)

00031: Medical Illustration, Marquis Doswell (1943)

00032: Medical Illustration, Unidentified Case w/ Notes (n.d.)